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SUBJECT: W/W - FRANK GOULD

1. IN ADDITION TO FOLLOW-UP ON RECENT TELEGRAMS, DEPARTMENT WISHES RAISE FOR EMBASSY'S CONSIDERATION THE POSSIBILITY THAT OFFICER FROM EMBASSY POLITICAL SECTION OR CONSULATE CEBU MIGHT IN NEXT FEW MONTHS, IF CONDITIONS APPEAR TO PERMIT, MAKE BRIEF VISIT TO TAWI-TAWI, SPECIFICALLY SIBUTU, IN COURSE OF WHICH SOME ON-SITE INVESTIGATION OF REPORTED GOULD SIGHTING IN 1975 COULD BE BEGUN.

2. WE ARE VERY MUCH AWARE OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND POTENTIAL POLITICAL MISREADINGS OF PRESENCE OF USG OFFICIAL IN AREA AND THEREFORE RAISE MATTER AT THIS TIME
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ONLY AS FOOD FOR THOUGHT. CONSIDERATIONS WHICH EMBASSY IN BETTER POSITION THAN WE TO EVALUATE ARE RELATIVE ADVANTAGES/DISADVANTAGES OF CONSULAR OR POLITICAL DRESSING TO TRIP AND WHETHER TRIP CAN OR SHOULD INCLUDE SUBJECTS OTHER THAN GOULD OR AREAS OTHER THAN SIBUTU. WE RAISE MATTER NOW IN VIEW (A) FORTHCOMING TRANSFER OF PRINGLE, WHOSE PREVIOUS AREA EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE OF GOULD CASE

MAKE HIM LOGICAL POSSIBILITY, AND (B) ASSURANCES WE HAVE
MADE TO GOULD FAMILY AND INTERESTED CONGRESSMEN THAT,

WHENEVER CONDITIONS PERMIT TRAVEL BY USG OFFICIAL IN
AREA, ONE SUBJECT OF INVESTIGATION WILL SURELY BE
REPORTS THAT GOULD SIGHTED IN SIBUTU IN 1975.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTS.

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